

REMARKS

In response to Examiner 35.U.S.C.103(a) rejection of claims 20, 22-31, 33 and 35-37 over Stinton (US.5204670) in view of Horton (US.5615123); and claims 21, 32 and 34 over Stinton in view of Horton and Carroll (US.5266944), Applicants amend independent claims 20, 31 and 33 to define invention patentably over cited references, particularly to distinguish among other things that the mobile communications unit comprises a “cellular phone” physically associated with the remote prisoner to monitor sensed condition or location according to GPS device of such remote prisoner, and thus the mobile communications unit communicates wirelessly with the processor through the digital network . . . further enabling an audiovisual message to be delivered electronically “via the cellular phone” to the remote prisoner for integrated remote surveillance and prisoner communication. None of cited references teach or suggest such invention claimed by Applicants.

In particular Stinton merely teaches (col. 7, lines 62-69) communication using certain “tag” units 44 that transmit signals to various field monitoring devices 44, and Horton merely teaches (col. 9, lines 26-39) communication via data transceiver 140 coupled to communication controller 142, (i.e., neither reference teaches or suggests any mobile communications unit comprising a cellular phone that is physically associated with the remote prisoner to monitor sensed condition or location according to GPS device, where the mobile communications unit/cellular phone communicates wirelessly with the processor through the digital network, thus enabling audiovisual message to be delivered electronically via the cellular phone to the remote prisoner.)

Applicants respectfully request that Examiner reconsider rejection, since it is respectfully submitted that claims are now patentable.

Respectfully submitted,

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